

What is claimed is:

1. (Currently amended) A map display device for retrieving a point at an inputted address and for displaying a map that covers the point retrieved for the inputted address, comprising:

storage means for storing historic records of a plurality of input addresses of previously retrieved points based on a hierarchy of levels of administrative districts;

control means for displaying an input page showing, as a menu, a hierarchy of levels of administrative districts for the input from which an address of one of the previously retrieved points and for is input of a different address by selection of any arbitrary level within the displayed on the basis of said hierarchy of levels, the one address being selected on the basis of the stored historic records of the plurality of input addresses of administrative districts and for displaying at least one administrative district name as a hierarchy of different administrative levels as item fields on said input page.

2. (Original) The map display device according to claim 1, wherein the administrative district name of the previously retrieved point is that last input.

3. (Original) The map display device according to claim 1, wherein the administrative district name of the previously retrieved point is that last input the greatest number of times among the administrative district names of the previously retrieved points.

4. (Original) The map display device according to claim 1, wherein the address of the retrieved point is that set as a destination.

5. (Currently amended) The map display device according to claim 1 further comprising:

selection means for selecting an administrative district name at one level of the hierarchy of the one previously retrieved point, and wherein, responsive to the selection of the administrative district name of the one previously retrieved point, names of lower level

administrative districts, below the level of the selected administrative district name, are automatically displayed by the control means.

6. (Currently amended) The map display device according to claim 2 further comprising:

selection means for selecting an administrative district name at one level of the hierarchy of the one previously retrieved point, and wherein, responsive to the selection of the administrative district name of the one previously retrieved point, names of lower level administrative districts, below the level of the selected administrative district name, are automatically displayed by the control means.

7. (Currently amended) The map display device according to claim 3 further comprising:

selection means for selecting an administrative district name at one level of the hierarchy of the one previously retrieved point, and wherein, responsive to the selection of the administrative district name of the one previously retrieved point, names of lower level administrative districts, below the level of the selected administrative district name, are automatically displayed by the control means.

8. (Currently amended) The map display device according to claim 4 further comprising:

selection means for selecting an administrative district name at one level of the hierarchy of the one previously retrieved point, and wherein, responsive to the selection of the administrative district name of the one previously retrieved point, names of lower level administrative districts, below the level of the selected administrative district name, are automatically displayed by the control means.

9. (Currently amended) The map display device according to claim 1, wherein the control means automatically displays the names of the administrative districts for the levels below the one selected level in the form of a list, based on the stored historic records.

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11. (Currently amended) A map display device for retrieving a point at an inputted address and for displaying a map that covers the point retrieved for the input address, comprising:

storage means for storing information for a plurality of previously the retrieved points point; and

control means for reading out historic records of the input addresses of previously retrieved points and for displaying them in the form of a list, and for, responsive to selection of an address of a previously retrieved point from the list, displaying an input page with an address of the selected previously retrieved point displayed as a selection menu on the input page as a hierarchy of different administrative levels.

12. (Original) The map display device according to claim 11, wherein a map that covers the previously retrieved point at the selected address is displayed, and further wherein the map changes to the input page responsive to a request for a change of the selected address.

13. (Original) The map display device according to claim 11, wherein the stored information for the retrieved point is an address of a registered point.

14. (Currently amended) A machine-readable medium encoded with a program for a map display device for retrieving a point at an inputted address and for displaying a map that covers the point retrieved for the inputted address, and encoded with historic records of previously input addresses for retrieved points, arranged in a hierarchy of administrative district levels, and wherein said program comprises:

displaying an input page for input of an address as a hierarchy of levels of administrative districts and displaying at least one administrative district name as a hierarchy of different administrative levels as a menu of item fields for selection.

15. (Currently amended) A machine-readable medium according to claim 14 wherein the encoded program further comprises:

prompting selection of any one of the item fields in the address of the one administrative

district name of a previously retrieved point; and

displaying names of administrative districts in item fields below the selected one item field responsive to the selection.

16. (Original) A machine-readable medium encoded with a program for a map display device for retrieving a point at an input address and for displaying a map that covers the point retrieved for the inputted address, and with information for the retrieved point wherein said program comprises:

retrieving historic records of input addresses for previously retrieved points;

displaying the retrieved historic records in the form of a list for selection of an address of a previously retrieved point;

displaying an input page showing a selected previously retrieved point with its address presented on the input page as a hierarchy of different administrative levels;

prompting selection of any one of the administrative levels of the one administrative district name of a previously retrieved point; and

displaying names of administrative levels below the selected one administrative level.